

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A lid strap device for holding the lid onto a container wherein the container has opposing projecting handles comprising a elongated elastic strap having fastening members mounted at each end of the elastic strap, said fastening member each having outer opposing hooks, said strap device being adapted to be attached over the top of the cover of the container with the strap stretched under tension over the top of the lid while the lid is attached to the container, said fastener having projecting pin means mounted rearward of the hooks, an elongated decorative sleeve adapted to be fitted over the elongate elastic strap and having opening means at each end of the sleeve adapted to receive the pins means on the fasteners to secure the sleeve to the elastic strap when the strap is extended over the top of the cover.
2. A lid strap device for holding a lid onto a container wherein the container has opposing projecting handles comprising an elongated elastic strap having fastening members mounted at each end of the strap, said fastening members each having outer opposing hooks, said strap device being adapted to be attached over the top of the cover of the container with the strap stretched under tension over the top of the lid of the container with the strap stretched under tension over the top of the lid while the lid is attached to the container.
3. A lid strap device according to Claim 2 wherein said strap has a decorative flexible member detachably mounted to the strap.
4. A lid device according to Claim 3 wherein said decorative flexible member comprises a flexible sleeve detachably mounted over the strap.